

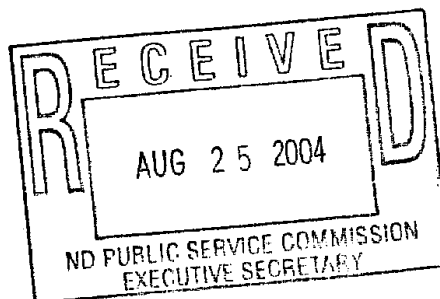


# Inter-Community Telephone Company



August 24, 2004

Executive Secretary  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue – Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



RE: USF Certification – Case Nos. PU-439-01-460 & PU-439-02-441

Gentlemen:

Enclosed for filing in accordance with the Commission's Order of August 28, 2002, in the above-referenced proceeding, is an Affidavit certifying that all universal service support will only be used for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. In making this filing, the undersigned company is at this time neither contesting nor conceding the jurisdiction of the North Dakota Public Service Commission to act in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

Keith Andersen, GM/CEO  
Inter-Community Telephone Co., LLC



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Cover letter re USF Use Certification  
by Inter-Community Telephone Company

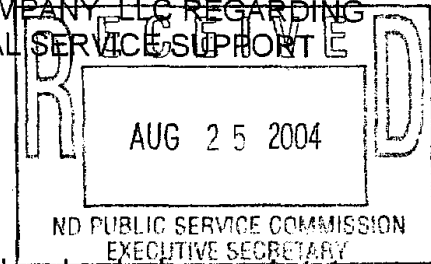
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CC: Comm Legal PUD (3)

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441  
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF INTER-COMMUNITY TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC REGARDING  
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota       )  
  ) ss.  
County of Barnes            )



Keith Andersen, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Inter-Community Telephone Company, LLC (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.


4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001 in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2005, and for all quarters thereafter.

5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2005 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its

functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

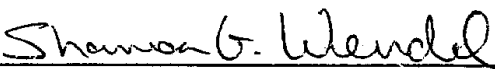
Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2004.

INTER-COMMUNITY TELEPHONE  
COMPANY, LLC

By   
Keith Andersen  
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota     )  
  ) ss.  
County of Barnes         )

On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KEITH ANDERSEN, known to me to be the Manager of INTER-COMMUNITY TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

  
\_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public  
For the State of North Dakota  
My commission expires: Oct. 25, 2007



Headquarters:  
3615 North Broadway  
PO Box 2027  
Minot, ND 58702-2027  
701-858-1200

SRT Connections:  
1400 20th Ave. SW  
PO Box 2027  
Minot, ND 58702-2027  
701-858-1200

August 16, 2004



Pat Fahn  
ND Public Service Commission  
State Capitol  
600 East Boulevard Avenue  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0500

Re: USF Certification – Case No. PU-439-02-441

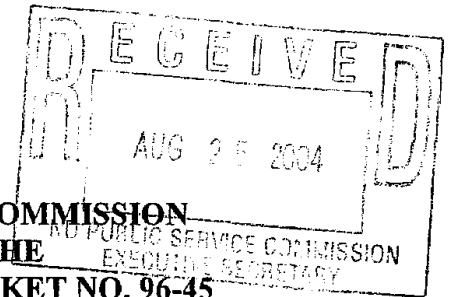
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Sincerely,

Steven D. Lysne  
CEO/General Manager  
SRT Communications, Inc.

krw  
Enclosure  
t:fahn



**BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45**

**AFFIDAVIT OF SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING  
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**

State of North Dakota            )  
  ) ss.  
County of Ward                    )

Steven D. Lysne, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is Manager of SRT Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of CEO/General Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
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Dated this 16 day of August, 2004.

SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By Steven D. Lysne  
Steven D. Lysne  
Its: CEO/General Manager

State of North Dakota       )  
  ) ss.  
County of Ward                )

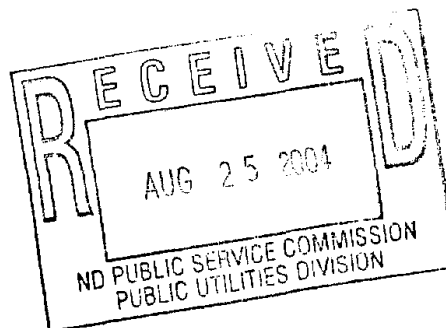
On this 16 day of August, 2004 before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Steven D. Lysne, known to me to be the CEO/General Manager of North Dakota Network Company, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Kim Weydahl  
Notary Public for the State of  
North Dakota  
My Commission expires:

**KIM WEYDAHL**  
Notary Public, State of North Dakota  
My Commission Expires Aug. 23, 2009

PO Box 2027 • Minot, ND 58702  
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August 16, 2004



Pat Fahn  
ND Public Service Commission  
State Capitol  
600 East Boulevard Avenue  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0500

Re: USF Certification – Case No. PU-439-02-441

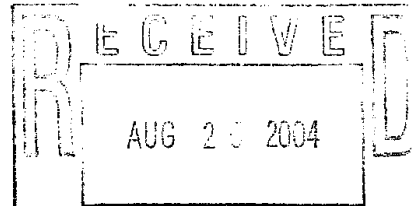
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Sincerely,

Steven D. Lysne  
CEO/General Manager  
North Dakota Network Company

krw  
Enclosure  
t:fahn



**BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**  
**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45**

**AFFIDAVIT OF NORTH DAKOTA NETWORK COMPANY REGARDING  
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**

State of North Dakota            )  
  ) ss.  
County of Ward                    )

Steven D. Lysne, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is Manager of North Dakota Network Company (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of CEO/General Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
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Dated this 16 day of August, 2004.

NORTH DAKOTA NETWORK  
COMPANY

By Steven D. Lysne  
Steven D. Lysne  
Its: CEO/General Manager

State of North Dakota       )  
  ) ss.  
County of Ward                )

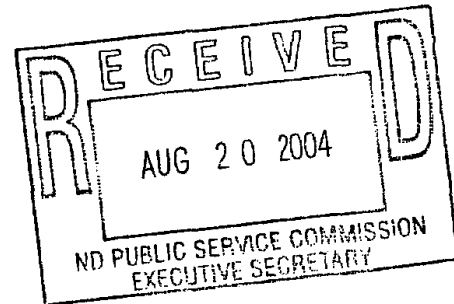
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Kim Weydahl  
Notary Public for the State of  
North Dakota  
My Commission expires:

KIM WEYDAHL  
Notary Public, State of North Dakota  
My Commission Expires Aug. 23, 2009



April 18, 2004



Executive Secretary  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue – Dept 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: USF Certification – Case Nos. PU-439-01-460 & PU-439-02-441

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Sincerely,

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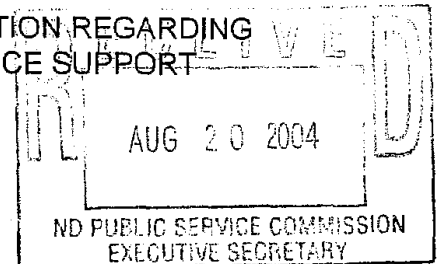
Perry Oster  
Office Manager

Enclosure

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441  
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL AID CORPORATION REGARDING  
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota     )  
                                      ) ss.  
County of Cavalier         )



Kenneth Carlson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

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Dated this 9th day of August, 2004.

UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL  
AID CORPORATION

By   
Kenneth Carlson  
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota     )  
                                      ) ss.  
County of Cavalier         )

On this 9th day of August, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KENNETH CARLSON, known to me to be the Manager of UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL AID CORPORATION, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

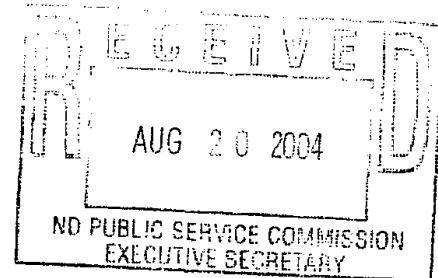
  
\_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public  
For the State of North Dakota  
My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>Perry M. Oster</b> Notary Public, State of North Dakota My Commission Expires September 14, 2005</p>
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# **TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS**

April 18, 2004

Executive Secretary  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue – Dept 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



To Whom It May Concern:

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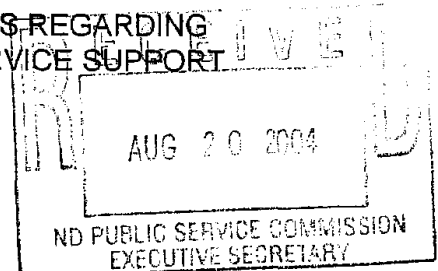
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Office Manager

Enclosure

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441  
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AFFIDAVIT OF TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING  
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota       )  
  ) ss.  
County of Cavalier        )



Kenneth Carlson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Turtle Mountain Communications (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

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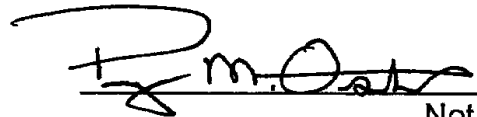
TURTLE MOUNTAIN  
COMMUNICATIONS



Kenneth Carlson  
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota     )  
  ) ss.  
County of Cavalier         )

On this 9th day of August, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KENNETH CARLSON, known to me to be the Manager of TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

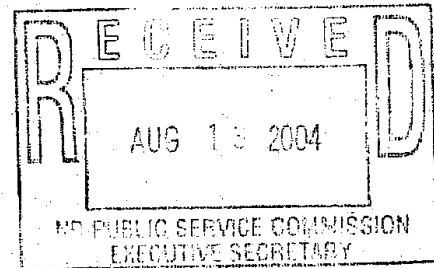


\_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public

For the State of North Dakota

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>Perry M. Oster</b> Notary Public, State of North Dakota My Commission Expires September 14, 2005</p>
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August 9, 2004

Secretary  
Public Service Commission  
State of North Dakota  
600 E Boulevard Avenue  
Bismarck, ND 58505

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Sincerely,

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Mark Wilhelmi  
Manager  
Midstate Telephone Company  
PO Box 400  
Stanley, ND 58784

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Cover letter re USF Use Certification

by Midstate Telephone Co.

08/13/2004

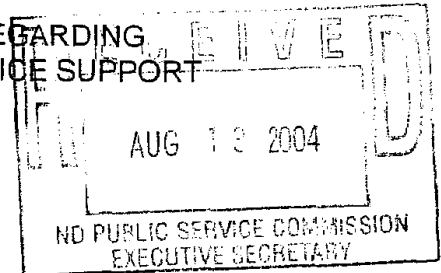
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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441  
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF MIDSTATE TELEPHONE COMPANY REGARDING  
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota       )  
  ) ss.  
County of Mountrail        )



Mark Wilhelmi, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Midstate Telephone Company (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

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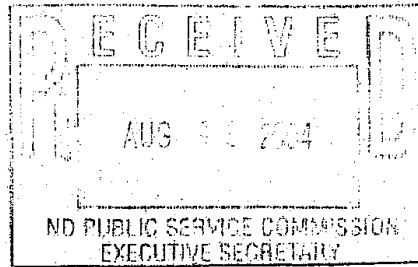
MIDSTATE TELEPHONE COMPANY

By   
Mark Wilhelmi  
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota     )  
  ) ss.  
County of Mountrail     )

On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared MARK WILHELMI, known to me to be the Manager of MIDSTATE TELEPHONE COMPANY, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

  
\_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public  
For the State of North Dakota  
My commission expires: 2-01-06



August 9, 2004

Secretary  
Public Service Commission  
State of North Dakota  
600 E Boulevard Avenue  
Bismarck, ND 58505

RE: USF Certification - Case Nos. PU-439-01-460 & PU-439-02-441

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Sincerely,

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Mark Wilhelmi  
Manager  
Midstate Communications, Inc.  
PO Box 400  
Stanley, ND 58784

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Cover letter re USF Use Certification

by Midstate Communications, Inc.

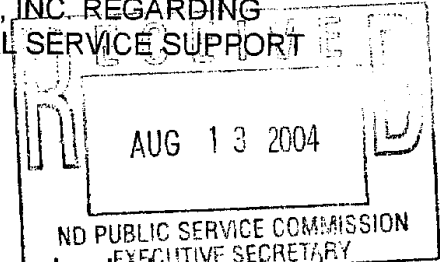
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CC: Comm Legal PUD (3)

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441  
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING  
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota       )  
  ) ss.  
County of Mountrail        )



Mark Wilhelmi, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Midstate Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.


4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001 in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2005, and for all quarters thereafter.

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functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

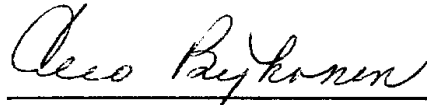
Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2004.

MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By   
Mark Wilhelmi  
Its: Manager

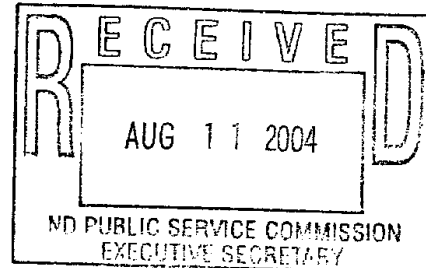
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August 9 , 2004




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David L. Dunning  
General Manager

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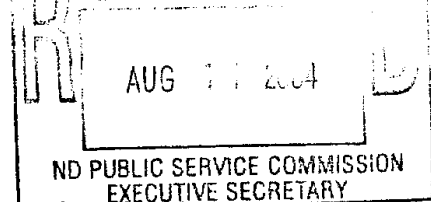
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AFFIDAVIT OF POLAR COMMUNICATIONS MUTUAL AID CORPORATION REGARDING  
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota     )  
                                      ) ss.  
County of Walsh            )



David L. Dunning, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

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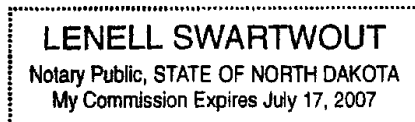
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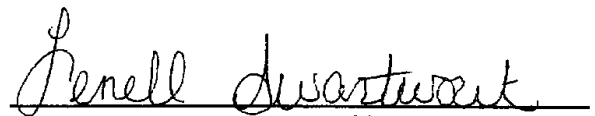
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By   
David L. Dunning  
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota     )  
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, Notary Public  
For the State of North Dakota  
My commission expires: July 17, 2007

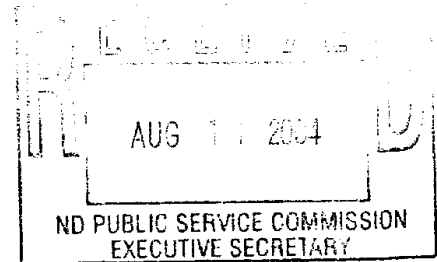


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Executive Vice President

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